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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the listed references are also enclosed herewith. Inclusion of the information in this Statement is not to be construed as an admission that the information is, or is considered to be, material as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

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The references identified on the attached Form-1499 have been cited in patent applications claiming priority from the same priority document as the present application or have been otherwise discovered. The relevant search reports are also enclosed. In instances where the cited reference is in a language other than

English, an English language patent document claiming priority from the same priority document as the cited reference is also enclosed. Therefore, DE 26 23 368 is included along with U.S. Patent Nos. 2,152,230 and 2,263,909 and GB 1,548,714. Although CH 261771 is newly cited herein, its priority document, U.S. Patent No. 2,425,004 has already been considered by the Patent Office in this application.

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